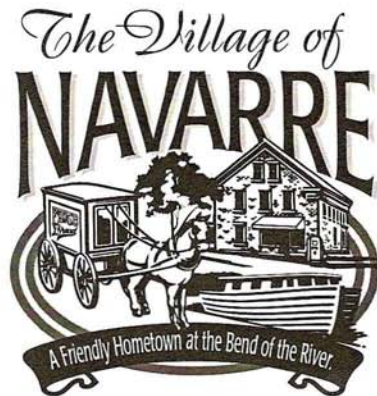


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RE: In the Matter of applications of AT&T Inc. and Deutsche Telekom AG for consent to assign or Transfer Control of licenses and Authorizations; (WT Proceeding - No. 11-65).

Dear Chairman Genachowski and Commissioners:

I ask you to please support the AT&T and T-Mobile merger.

Nestled on the banks of the Tuscarawas River, is the charming Village of Navarre. Starting in the 1830's, the Ohio Erie Canal once had a great impact on the shops and businesses in the small village of Navarre by providing access from Lake Erie to the Ohio River. Our businesses and residents benefited from that access.

In today's global economy, access to broadband is just as critical in promoting economic prosperity to our little village. By improving access to advanced wireless broadband, our businesses can better compete globally in the international marketplace. Our residents will benefit with increased access to telemedicine and access to higher learning opportunities.

As the Mayor of Navarre, my role is to lead our village into a brighter and more prosperous future. That's why I'm taking an interest in this merger and asking for your support of it.

Sincerely,

Robert Benson
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Navarre, Ohio

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